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## COMAR 10.62.06 – Patient and Caregiver Identification Cards

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#### .01 Patient Identification Cards

A. A qualifying patient [may] *shall* apply to the Commission for an identification card as part of the qualifying process by logging onto the Commission website and submitting:

(1) The completed application form as provided by the Commission;

(2) A current, clear photograph of the applicant's face taken within 6 months of application;

(3) A copy of the qualifying patient's government identification card or other proof of identity; and

(4) The required fee as specified in COMAR 10.62.35.

B. An identification card shall contain:

(1) The name and date of birth of the cardholder;

(2) (i) An expiration date 2 years from the date [of issue] *the card is issued*; and

(ii) *Beginning January 1, 2019, an expiration date 3 years from the date the card is issued*;

(3) A current, clear photograph of the applicant's face taken within the previous 6 months; and

(4) The qualifying patient registry number assigned by the Commission.

C. A qualifying patient in hospice care is exempt from obtaining an identification card.

### **10.62.30 Dispensing Medical Cannabis**

#### **.03 Procedure for Dispensing Medical Cannabis.**

A. A registered dispensary agent shall dispense medical cannabis only to a qualifying patient or caregiver who has presented a [government-issued] *Commission issued patient or caregiver* identification card.

B. Before any distribution of medical cannabis, a dispensary agent shall query the Commission data network and verify that:

(1) The qualifying patient or caregiver is currently registered;

(2) A certifying physician issued a valid written certification to the qualifying patient, and

(3) The amount of medical cannabis that has already been dispensed pursuant to the written certification.

C. A dispensary agent may provide information on:

(1) The available types of medical cannabis, cannabis varieties, and medical cannabis finished products;

(2) Methods by which medical cannabis can be taken; and

(3) How unused cannabis may be returned for disposal.

D. 30-day Supply.

(1) A qualifying patient or caregiver may obtain a portion of a 30-day supply at any time once the written certification is presented to a licensed dispensary, provided the portion being sought when added to portions previously obtained does not exceed a 30-day supply.

(2) The dispensary agent shall enter the weight of usable cannabis or the weight of  $\Delta$ 9-Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) dispensed in the Commission data network.

E. A registered dispensary agent may decline to dispense medical cannabis to a qualifying patient or caregiver if, in the professional opinion of the registered dispensary agent, the patient or caregiver appears to be currently under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

F. A licensed dispensary may not distribute a sample of medical cannabis.

G. If not used to purchase medical cannabis within 120 days of issuance, a written certification becomes null and void.